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2005 FILING SCHEDULE – MAINE CLEAN ELECTION ACT CANDIDATES

2006 Candidates

Filing Deadline

July 15, 2005
January 17, 2006

Reporting Period

January 1, 2005 – June 30, 2005
July 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005

Maine Clean Election Act candidates in the 2006 elections may begin collecting and spending seed money contributions (up to \$100 from individuals) at any time after registering as a candidate with the Ethics Commission. Gubernatorial candidates in the 2006 elections who have raised or spent more than \$1,000 in calendar year 2005 must file campaign finance reports on July 15, 2005 and January 17, 2006. Legislative candidates who have raised or spent more than \$500 in calendar year 2005 are also required to file the July 15, 2005 and January 17, 2006 reports. If a candidate has not raised the threshold amount (\$500 or \$1,000), any seed money collected or spent in 2005 may be included in the seed money report filed when the candidate requests certification as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate.

Filing Procedures

The Ethics Commission must receive at its office each original campaign finance report signed by both the candidate and treasurer by 5:00 p.m. on the filing deadline, except in two circumstances. A properly signed report may be faxed to the Commission office at (207) 287-6775 by 5:00 p.m. on the deadline, provided that the original report is received by the Commission within five calendar days. Also, a report that has been mailed to the Commission by certified or registered mail and that is postmarked at least 2 days before the filing deadline will not be considered late, even if it is received after the deadline.